



Summer statement cash boost must go to workers, not bosses

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GMB, Britain's general union, has responded to the Chancellor's summer statement today.

John Phillips, GMB Acting General Secretary, said:

"We will subject the Chancellor's policies to close scrutiny - but what has been outlined today seems to be a good start.

"GMB welcomes investment in the economy and industry, however Ministers must make sure new jobs are good jobs and training opportunities are real. We need action to protect incomes, alongside jobs.

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"The Chancellor has to follow-up today's announcements with meaningful, sector-by-sector negotiations as the furlough scheme ends. Some sectors not mentioned today - such as public services and aviation - risk being left behind.

"And let's not forget there are millions of key workers, struggling by on low pay and still in need of PPE, who can't make ends meet if they're sick because the paltry level of



statutory sick pay leaves people choosing between keeping a roof over their head or putting their colleagues and family at risk.

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